

Cass Gilbert Society

Annual Meeting for 2015/2016

Como Dockside, March 13, 2016

Attendees: Ted and Ona Lentz, John and Becky Yust, Carolyn Nayematsu and Vincent Platt, Carolyn and David Kompelien, Marjorie Pearson, Linda Bjorklund and Tom Blanck, Herb and Heidi Grika, Jane and Paul Tschida, Mark Stanley (Factor of 4)

Meeting opened at 4:50 P.M.

Opening and Introduction – Marjorie Pearson, Chair; Ted Lentz, President
Marjorie and Ted welcomed everyone and offered a toast to the memory of Wendy Weimer

Minutes of the 2014 Annual Meeting, December 11, 2014

Report on Annual Dinner, January 18, 2015

Marjorie summarized the events of the annual meeting and the annual dinner: election of officers and board; guests at the dinner and presentation of certificates of merit

Treasurers' Report – Carolyn Nayematsu and Vincent Platt

Vincent presented the report, noting that membership dues were the main source of funding. We had broken even on the Owatonna-Faribault tour and had received about \$900 from our joint Minnesota Historical Society tours. Other major expenses: new edition of Quickbooks and installation, Newsletter, website. Motion to accept the treasurers' report by Linda Bjorklund and John Yust; accepted unanimously.

Report of the Nominating Committee and Election of Officers for 2016

Linda Bjorklund presented the slate listed below, followed by a brief discussion. Motion to accept the slate by Linda Bjorklund, seconded by John Yust; accepted unanimously.

2015 Annual Report – Activities of the Cass Gilbert Society

Ted Lentz presented a four-page written report and summarized the highlights. The full report will be posted on the website and also excerpted in the Newsletter.

Discussion of Minnesota Legacy Grant application for Capitol Furnishings Project

This item was on the agenda because there was no separate March board meeting. Carolyn Kompelien and Linda Bjorklund described their conversations with Joe Hoover and other grant staff at the Minnesota Historical Society. The intent is to apply for the large-scale Legacy grant with preliminary application due in May and final application in July. Certain updates need to be made to our existing website to show that we can implement the grant project. The project committee has requested that CGS authorize \$2,500 to Factor of 4 to update the website and train Sonja Mason in website management. Mark Stanley was asked if the work could be done in time for the July application. He stated that at least the prototype could be developed. Motion to authorize the funds by Ted Lentz and John Yust; carried unanimously.

Announcements of Upcoming Events

Mary Lahammer, TPT Almanac, will present excerpts from “Connections with Cass” and the Minnesota State Capitol to the Cass Gilbert Society at the University Club on Tuesday, April 5, 7 P.M.

The Cass Gilbert Society and the Minnesota Historical Society are co-presenting John Guenther to speak on Harvey Ellis and Pillsbury Hall at the Mill City Museum on Thursday, May 5, 7 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Officers and Board - 2015

Ted Lentz, *President*

John Yust, *Vice President*

Ted Lentz, *Recording Secretary*

Carolyn Nayematsu, *Co-Treasurer*

Vincent Platt, *Co-Treasurer*

Carolyn Kompelien

Sonja Mason, *Facebook Administrator*

Marjorie Pearson, *Chair/President Emerita/Newsletter*

Cindy Stephani

Jean Velleu, *President Emerita*

Art Weeks

Linda Bjorklund, *Fundraising*

Nathan Stone Buttleman, *Counsel*

Proposed for 2016

Ted Lentz, *President*

John Yust, *Vice President (President Elect)*

Ted Lentz, *Recording Secretary*

Carolyn Nayematsu, *Co-Treasurer*

Vincent Platt, *Co-Treasurer*

Carolyn Kompelien

Sonja Mason, *Social Media/Tech Support*

Marjorie Pearson, *Chair/President Emerita/Newsletter*

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Jean Velleu, *President Emerita*

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Nathan Stone Buttleman, *Counsel* – resigned later in the month